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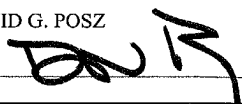
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 6, 2002, please enter the following amendments and consider the appended remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on pg. 12, line 6 and ending on pg. 12, line 14 with the following:

a' Rather than the earth plate 75 of the DC motor according to the sixth embodiment shown in Fig. 7, a conductive washer 81 is disposed between the bearing and a collar 9d formed on the shaft 9. The washer 81 has a pair of spring arms 81a cut and extended from the annular base portion thereof. The washer 81 is fit to the outer periphery of the shaft 9. Because of the pair of